

Thomas Jefferson & John Campanius Holm Award Recipients

Ms. Elizabeth “Liz” Lindig



On Tuesday November 9th, 2010, Ms. Elizabeth “Liz” Lindig was presented with the John Campanius Holm, at the Silver K café in Johnson City, Texas. The award was presented by MIC Joe Arellano from the National Weather Service office in Austin/San Antonio, Texas. The Holm award is one of the most prestigious awards the National Weather Service can give to a Cooperative observer. Ms. Lindig has been taking weather observations at the LBJ National Park for over 27 years. The information taken by Liz is of great value to the National Weather Service and to her community.

Pictured from the left are Steve Smart, OPL; Mike Asmus RCPM from Forth Worth; Elizabeth “Liz” Lindig COOP Observer; MIC Joe Arellano and Patrick McDonald CPM/HMT. Photo taken by her good friend and co-worker Cynthia Dorminey.

Mr. Stuart J. Haby



Mr. Stuart J. Haby receives the highly coveted and prestigious Thomas Jefferson award from the National Weather Service (NWS). The Thomas Jefferson award is the highest meritorious award that can be presented to a NWS Cooperative Observer. Each year, only five or six Cooperative Observers across the nation are selected by a special review panel to receive the Thomas Jefferson award from a network of over 11,000 observers.

Since January 1, 1963, Mr. Haby has rendered faithful and conscientious service to the NWS as the official Cooperative Observer at Vanderpool. Mr. Haby's voluntary efforts to measure, record and report daily precipitation has contributed vastly to local, state and national climate databases. Timely weather and rainfall information provided by Mr. Haby is utilized by innumerable individuals and agencies in projects that range in scope from casual knowledge to local storm verification to complex scientific research of our atmosphere. His unselfish dedication and commitment to rainfall reporting has and will continue to have far-reaching and long-lasting effects on the science of meteorology. The NWS Cooperative Observer program is a national network comprised of over 11,000 volunteer weather observers. This network provides a variety of information to the NWS including air and soil temperature data, hourly and daily precipitation amounts, evaporation data, and river stage readings.

Photo Caption:

Stuart J. Haby (left) receives the Thomas Jefferson Award from Joe Arellano, Meteorologist-in-Charge of the Austin/San Antonio Forecast Office. A luncheon/award presentation honoring Mr. Haby was held October 20, 2009 at the Lakehouse Restaurant in Kerrville, Texas. Photo by Steve Smart, Observing Program Leader.